

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

I. Status of the Claims

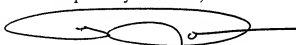
After entry of the current amendments, claims 12-18, 23-29, 31-96 are pending. Claims 12-18, 23-29, 31-38, 63-65, 68 and 78-96 are currently presented. Claims 39-62, 66-67 and 69-77 are withdrawn. Claims 1-11, 19-22 and 30 are cancelled. Claims 78-96 are new.

II. Claim Amendment

The text of cancelled Claims 1-11, 19-22 and 30, has been deleted per the request of Examiner Heard.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-442-1793. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any fees associated with this paper from Deposit Account No. 50-0310

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